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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

AN AERONAUTICAL OPTIMIST.

ALL ABOUT CHINA'S NEW SKY SHIPS.

LONDON, October 19.
The Times' aeronautical correspondent says the Vickers-vimy commercial aeroplanes ordered by China are similar in type to the winner of the transatlantic flight. Their length is 42 feet, their height 15, their span 67 feet. They have two Rolls-Royce engines, totalling 750 horsepower, and are capable of a maximum speed of 105 miles an hour, and a cruising speed of 90 miles. They will carry petrol sufficient for a six hour flight. Extra tanks can be fitted if necessary. They require two pilots. The cabin is enclosed and can seat twelve passengers, whose safety and comfort is in everywise studied. Future travel in China will be the height of speed and luxury. The maximum weight of freight and mail will be 2,000 pounds. A number of skilled pilots, engineers, and organisers shortly proceed to China to establish the services. The result must be an enormous quickening up of communications, and have very far-reaching political, economical, and commercial effects. Soon China should assume an entirely different aspect as a world factor.

CHINESE LOAN OVER-SUBSCRIBED.

LONDON, October 23.
The Chinese loan mentioned on Oct. 13 was largely over-subscribed.

"TIMES" ON SILVER SHORTAGE.

TOO MUCH SILVER MONEY IN BRITAIN.

LONDON, October 23.
The Times in a leader says there seems a reasonable hope that there will shortly be a check on the demand and some increase in the supply of silver. Mexican production is increasing and is undoubtedly susceptible of great development. Substitutes for silver currency may be adopted much more generally than hitherto. The silver circulation in Britain is now £50,000,000 compared with £15,000,000 before the war. This seems unnecessarily large. There should be ample margin for letting some go where it is much more urgently wanted.

COTTON CONFERENCE.

GAMBLING CONDEMNED.

NEW ORLEANS, October 23.

The cotton conference urged British spinners to send representatives to buy cotton direct from the farmers. Speakers agreed that no arbitrary price can be fixed for a given period. Cotton-growers suggested the condemnation of the practice of selling cotton on call and of all gambling in cotton and other necessities.

NEW YORK STRIKE.

SITUATION NOW ACUTE.

NEW YORK, October 19.

Despite the settlement reached previously, the longshoremen have not returned to work. Shipping interests have arranged to utilise strike-breakers protected by military if the men do not return by October 20. The situation is acute. Labour Secretary Wilson has appointed a conciliation committee headed by the Mayor of New York to endeavour to settle the controversy.

CHINESE LABOUR NO LONGER WANTED IN FRANCE.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR QUICK REPATRIATION.

PARIS, October 19.

In the Chamber M. Lebrun, the minister for the liberated provinces, said the British and French governments had decided on measures for replacing Chinese labour and repatriating the Chinese at the rate of 15,000 monthly.

FAR EASTERN CABLE
NEWS.

[By Courtesy of the Hongkong
Daily Press.]

CABINET CONSTRUCTION.

PEKING, Oct. 22.
It is understood that Parliament, which is sitting informally, consents to Chin Yung-peng forming a formal Cabinet.

Li Shih-hao will probably be promoted Minister of Finance, and Tseng Yu-ching Minister of Communications, while Wu Ping-huang will be appointed Minister of the Interior.

JAPANESE POLICE INTRUSION
TO BE CHECKED.

The Central Government has instructed the Tsuchun of Kirin to prevent the intrusion of Japanese policemen, ostensibly for the arrest of Koreans.

DEATH OF AN EXPERIENCED
DIPLOMAT.

Kao Erh-kien, former Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, who participated in the Macao delimitation, died last night. Educated in France, the deceased was an experienced diplomat and a man of high integrity.

TIENTSIN STUDENTS AGAIN
ACTIVE.

SHANGHAI, Oct. 23.
The students in Tientsin are again active. They held a meeting recently and decided to demand the dismissal of Yeung I-tak, the Superintendent of Police in Tientsin. They

are also not satisfied with Kan Wan-pang as Premier.

MOVEMENT AGAINST YEUNG
I-TAK.

Ha Shing-to, a lawyer, has made out eight charges against Yeung I-tak, one of which is that he was in favour of the movement made to appoint Yuan Shi-kai Emperor of China.

The students in Hankow have telegraphed to the Premier demanding the dismissal of Yeung I-tak.

THE TIBET QUESTION.

The Peking Government has decided to await the return from Paris of Luk Tsing-sheng, the Foreign Minister, before discussing the Tibet question.

CANTON SOLDIERS MARCHING
AGAINST FUKIEN.

Li Hau-ki, the Military Governor of Fukien, has telegraphed to the Peking Government that Canton soldiers are marching against Fukien soldiers.

INTERNAL PEACE.

Wong Yip-tong, the chief Northern delegate, has asked permission from the Peking Government to return to Peking. He made this request after a bomb was found in his residence. —Hongkong Chinese Commercial News.

CHILDREN'S COLDS.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, October 21st.
Parliament reassembles to-morrow. The Members intend to press the Government to give an opportunity for the immediate discussion of national finances, which subject is at present engrossing general attention.

Lord Buckmaster moves, in the House of Lords, that further taxation is essential in view of the gravity of the financial position.

Mr. Lloyd George, yesterday, presided at a finance meeting of the Cabinet, which is considering retrenchment in public Departments.

Capt. Worthington Evans states that the pensions estimates have exceeded hundreds of thousands and will probably cost £108,000,000 this year.

Mr. Winston Churchill states that the economic position of the Empire is sound and strong, but the finances are woefully deranged, though superior to any except America's. All minds should be turned to the financial problem.

Enormous debt was the main cause of the rise in prices, therefore a substantial diminution of debt must be the first step towards the improvement of the purchasing power of money. The first object of the Government was to reduce expenditure. This was impossible in 1919 but must be achieved in 1920.

BRITISH LOAN TO STABILISE
EXCHANGE.

NEW YORK, October 21st.
Messrs. Morgan & Co. announce the issue of a \$250,000,000 British loan, the proceeds to be used to take up \$133,000,000 worth of 5 per cent. British notes falling due on November 1st.

The remainder will be available for Britain's requirements here.

The flotation is expected to stabilise exchange considerably.

TURKEY DAILY GETTING WORSE.

LONDON, October 21st.
A Greek official statement asserts that the situation in the interior of Turkey is daily getting worse.

The new Cabinet, controlled by the pro-German Young Turk Committee, seems determined to resist the decisions of the Peace Conference as far as possible, and continues its efforts to exterminate all Christians.

A rupture between the Sultan and the Young Turks, who wish to replace him by Prince Mehmet Selim, is apparently imminent.

GERMAN ATTACK REPULSED.

COPENHAGEN, October 20th.

A telegram from Riga states that the Lett Premier announced that a German attack on Ustdivsk fortress, on Saturday night, was repulsed.

Several attacks near Friedrichstadt, 35 miles from Riga, were likewise repulsed. The British and French Fleets continue to support the Letts, thus inspiring the population.

AERONAUTICS.

LONDON, October 21st.

The Australian airman, Captain G. C. Matthews, started from Hounslow this morning on his flight to Australia for the Australian Government's prize of £10,000.

MINE ACCIDENT.

LONDON, October 21st.
Owing to the collapse of a winding engine, it is reported that at least 40 miners were killed and many injured in the Levant Mine near Penzance.

THE COTTON CONFERENCE.

NEW ORLEANS, October 17th.
The Cotton Conference has adopted the American proposal that the Congress place at the disposal of the War Finance Corporation \$1,000,000,000 for the purpose of stabilising foreign exchange.

Also a sum sufficient to finance the exportation of at least 1,000,000 bales of cotton.

The Conference rejected the growers' recommendation condemning the sale of cotton on call and gambling in cotton but adopted recommendations opposing the Government fixing of cotton prices and the embargo of cotton in peace-time, and demanding that the selling price of cotton should allow a fair profit.

Sir Herbert Dixon was elected President of the next Conference which will be held in England in 1921.

TRAFALGAR DAY.

LONDON, October 21st.
On the occasion of "Trafalgar Day," the base of the Nelson column in Trafalgar Square was decorated with wreaths from numerous warships and naval bases, also from the Dominions' High Commissioners. Lady Fremantle played a special wreath on the tomb of Nelson at St. Paul's.

Dean Inge preached a memorial sermon at St. Martin-in-the-Fields. He declared that, in spite of the disquieting symptoms, there was no proof that we were a decadent nation, but our best elements must unite and organise, for we were confronted with a hard struggle. Some scoffed at patriotism, but what would the scoffers give us instead?

Dean Inge remarked that the present day popular culture had no roots. One of the most needful things in national education was the inclusion of intelligent teaching of English history.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, October 17th.
The silver market is quiet.

LONDON, October 18th.
The silver market is steady.

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Terms: Cash on delivery.**GEO. P. LAMMERT,**
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, October 22, 1919.on
TUESDAY, October 23, 1919,
Commencing at 2.30 p.m.,
at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street.**A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture,**
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Teak hatstand with bevelled mirror, tapestry covered drawing room suite, easy chairs, teak overmantel, desk, bookcase, card table, Burrell ware, pictures, vases and ornaments, etc., etc.

Teak dining tables and chairs, teak sideboard, chiffonier, dinner waggon, tea tables, ice chest, dinner service, electroplated ware, cutlery and glass ware, etc., etc.

Double brass mounted iron bedstead, teak wardrobes with bevelled glass doors, teak dressing table, washstand, chest of drawers, toilet crockery, etc., etc.

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A DEAD CITY.

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But the romance of Fatehpur-Sikri needs no embellishment. For one thing, the city can be seen to-day with a man's own eyes, standing just as it was left three centuries ago, with every stone unscathed, every gateway uncrumbling, every cornice and architrave sharp cut as on the day it left the mason's hands. The wonderful Indian climate, severe indeed but constant, has dealt kindly with it, and the soft red sandstone of which it is built shows no trace of weathering. And, for another thing, the story of its building is like one of those myths of the ancient world which we talk about as facts, because they are (or seem) so improbable that no one would be expected to regard them as the truth. It is bound up with one of the greatest of the world's rulers—Akbar. Since the days of Asoka, in the dawn of history, India had known no such emperor, and she has known none of Asiatic blood since. Akbar himself was not, he it is noted, an Indian. His line came from those cold and rigorous steppes of Central Asia which have given so many conquerors to the old world—which may, I venture to predict, if this self-satisfied western world is not careful, mine them up again.

These peoples have ever been wild and turbulent, their only law the law of blood, their only care their weapons and their fitness for war. It is the more singular that they should have produced a man like Akbar, one of the greatest of soldier-conquerors, who, from his hard beginnings in Turkestan, wrought an empire that embraced all Hindustan. It was written of him that "of all his qualities, his generosity and humanity took the lead." His son Humayun, whose tomb you see in Delhi, proved an incompetent visionary who lost the grasp of the great kingdom left to him. His easy nature, in a land where sternness and strength have ever been the most meritorious attributes of rulers, soon found him a dispossessed monarch fleeing for his life. A hunted fugitive, he fled through the burning deserts of Sind, and it was there, by a tree on the roadside, according to native tradition, certainly in very lowly circumstances, that his young wife gave birth to the great Akbar. They had to leave Sind, and travelled on into Afghanistan, where the had passed his early years. His soldier's career began when he was but thirteen years of age, when he had to fight for possession of the throne which his father had partially regained. At the great Battle of Panipat where 200 years later a new race of conquerors was to decide its destiny in India, he and his great general, Babur Khan, secured themselves in the kingdom which had been his grandfather's. At the age of fourteen this lad of Turan blood had become an emperor. He it was who built the splendid city of Fatehpur-Sikri, now a home for prowling leopards and a Mecca for tourists.

It was shortly after the glorious but futile siege of the Rajput in their rock fortress of Chitor that the foundations of the city were laid. There was lying at the village called Sikri, twenty-three miles out of Agra, a Mohammedan saint to whom the Emperor was in the habit of repairing, for he was a devout man, though great enough to be free from bigotry. The saint promised him a son who should live, the great desire of Akbar's life, for he had had two sons who had died. Undoubtedly the saint's promise, the Emperor built near the village, and this was the nucleus of the new city. It was called Fatehpur (City of Victory), in commemoration of the recent conquest of Gujarat. The saint's promise was fulfilled, for the Emperor's wife living at Sikri gave birth to a son who became the famous Emperor Jahangir. His faith being thus crowned, Akbar enlarged the city, and built a great wall round it. Such is the great city whose empty walls stare out over the swamps towards the distant hills of Bhurtpore. Akbar seems to have been one of those fine spirits whose genius never

stands still, whose horizon goes on broadening from year to year, even into old age. He built in his new city a great hall of learning—a sort of prototype of a university,—to be used by all classes of men who revered sacred knowledge. Every Friday he would repair thither and converse with the learned, disputing with and rewarding them. He was constantly beset by the fanatics of his own creed, who were furious that he did not recognise their paramountcy, and imagined that they were belittled because they were not supreme. He was proof against their subtleties, and refused to allow his reason to be warped. Within the great hall where now the ink-black shadows fall through open doorways on to the untrodden pavements, took place one of the greatest trials of strength between warring creeds that history recalls: Akbar had sent for a Jesuit priest, Padre Todolpho Aquaviva, a missionary of Goa, to visit Agra, for he had heard much about the religion of Christ, a religion which accorded well with his own charity and magnanimity. There were gathered Brahmins and Buddhists, Jains and Parsis, Christians and Mohammedans, and each spoke in turn. The native historian pours ridicule on the venomousness of the attacks of these theologians on one another, and describes the verdict of the Emperor, calm and impartial, enjoining them to practise sincerity. It must have been a hard blow to the disputants, who had probably never questioned that their fanaticism and bigotry were sincerity at its most sincere. Three centuries before the English did it Akbar did his best to stop the abominable practice of suttee, and dealt severely with the priests who gauded on the miserable women to perform it.

In those days India knew a peace and order it had never known before. And it all centred in this empty city, where now the tour rumbles, prying into the very arena of ancient Indian nobles, bringing his noisy motor-car to the gateways which once knew nothing but the soft pad of the feet of great elephants hung and bedizened with scarlet and gold. The cobra withdraws furtively into the dark recesses where once the languid women spent the noonday heat, for he has made it one of his special haunts. And in the wild riot of flowering shrubs the peacock struts and spreads his tail.

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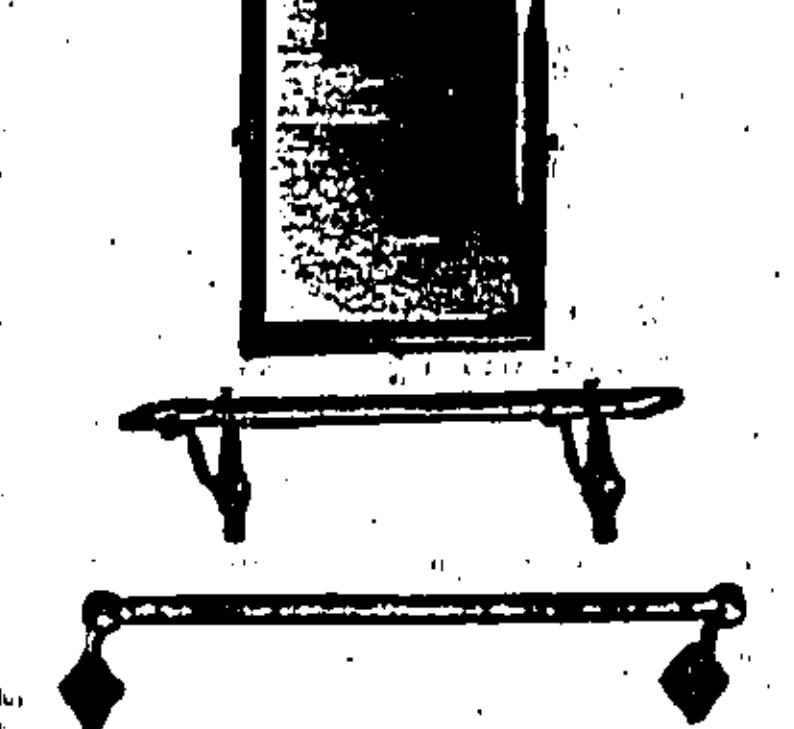


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THE COMMODORE and MEMBERS of the above Club will be AT HOME to their friends at the CLUB HOUSE, North Point, TOMORROW (Saturday) 25th inst., from 3 to 6 P.M. on the occasion of the OPENING CRUISE and presentation of prizes by H. E. the Governor SIR R. E. STUBBS, K.C.M.G.
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F. SMYTH,
Commodore.
Hongkong, October 21, 1919.

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R. E. MACDOUGALL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, October 20, 1919.

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By Order,
G. W. GEGG,
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Hongkong, October 18, 1919.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED, will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, on the 6th day of November, 1919, at Noon, when the adjourned resolution, which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 20th day of October, 1919, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

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Dated the 21st Day of October, 1919,
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The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, OCT 24, 1919.

ADVERSARIA.

The other day, mooted under the proposal for a THE CHINA MAIL, a society in Hongkong, we pointed out that the "Public Opinion" column of the China Mail was as good a forum as any debater could desire, and more frequently accessible than any vocal debate would be likely to be. A correspondent, Mr. C. Leveson, seems to have regarded that as an offer of about two columns of our space "every Saturday." The only thing he regrets is that what he has to say on "After Death" and kindred subjects, he feels it impossible to convey "in a few lines or even columns." We all feel like that sometimes. The point is that in any properly organized debating society he would be obliged to limit his discourse to a certain length (there are others) and to stick to his subject. The only interference an editor applies to his correspondence columns is precisely that which the chairman at a debate applies. This is necessary, not for the convenience of the editor or the chairman, but for those who serve.

How necessary such LOGORRHOEA. a functionary is in the case of contributors like Mr. Leveson will now appear. After a couple of sticks of preliminary "cackle" (a "stick" being a compositor's tool which holds a convenient handful of lines of type) he proceeds:

Tell me O swan, your ancient tale.
From what land do you come, O swan?

To what shore will you fly?
There are a dozen more lines of that, which is offered as from the "Songs of Kabir" but we are offered nothing to show its connection with the theme of life and death. No doubt there is a connection in the mind of Mr. Leveson, but that is not enough. He must show other minds the connection. He must, as the saying is, put it across and get it over. He doesn't even tell us whether the swan, like Balaam's ass, answered back.

He supposes himself to be answering, if you please, Mr. W. Hill's admirable and closely reasoned little essay published in the China Mail the other day. It is to us as though an abacus had pronounced a sum in arithmetic, and was being criticised by a bagpipes. He says the clay is dead to the tree that grows in it. The tree is dead to the insect creeping on it. The insect is dead to the singing bird in the branches. And so on. That is a trick of debate which cannot pass. Unconsciousness is not death. Moreover, even the unconsciousness is not proven. When he says that "life and death became two separate and contrary entities only after the Fall" we throw up our hands and cry "Kamerad!" He is talking in some language we do not understand. Nor, we fear, does he. How can death (except by poetic imagery as the Reaper) be spoken of as an "entity"?

He says that the "forbidden fruit" in Eden was what we call Science; that before acquiring that our first parents enjoyed only cosmic consciousness (like a tree?); and so he gradually approaches this perfectly splendid and unassailable postulate. We like it so much that we are going to give it a paragraph all to itself, thus:

"What I mean to say is that life can never be absolutely non-life or lifelessness for the simple reason that it is life."

We are irrevocably convinced that that is one of those perdurable and true truths that have reverberated through the minds of every man, woman, and child for centuries, and that the second who would deny it deserves the unanimous reprobation of all decent society. But we really cannot afford a couple of columns in the China Mail every Saturday to establish such propositions. It wouldn't be fair to our contributor. Mr. Hill, who was content with less than half a column, and who in that space did manage to say something cogent and clear, without hyperbole, analogy, allegory, or dependence upon any folk-myth.

The nearest Mr. Leveson comes to making any sort of point in answer to Mr. Hill's ratiocinations, is exhibited in the following passage: "Our life is made up of running and vanishing mental states, but who can prove it to us that the 'I am' (he means the ego) cannot function on a higher plane than that of the Tree of Knowledge or Mind?" Mr. Leveson is as bad a logician as Bentham was, when, by exercising his moral sense, he discovered that there is no such thing as a moral sense in man. Despising him as lower than the hypothetical "plane" to be proved, Mr. Leveson does his despising with his mind.

imagines the "higher plane" with his mind, and asks his opponent to prove (a mental process) to his mind a negative.

THE EGO. He is, of course, labouring under the common illusion that the ego is proved by its apparent continuity during life. In fact he says so, in this style, which is much more lucid than the rest of his contribution. "Mr. Hill as a foetus is dead and buried in Mr. Hill the infant and the infant is dead and buried in the schoolboy and so on to manhood. Nevertheless the 'I am' in the midst of all these lives and deaths is still the identical, self-same being." He is wrong there. It is not, Mr. Hill the foetus had no desire to explain the riddle of the universe, to himself or to others. Mr. Hill the infant was too keen on the drink to bother with such things. The ego of Mr. Hill the adult philosopher is not the ego of the Master Hill who played marbles. The ego might almost be expressed in his successive ages, since it is at all times a progressive sum. Think of the 'I am' as a sum, please. At 8 years of age Mr. Hill (or the sum) said 'I am,' and of 4 plus 4 he (or it) said, "That's me." The sum has grown since, but it is still the 'I am' to itself. It could not be otherwise. When the duster of death wipes the chalk off the board, there is no more 'I am.' Mr. Leveson says there is, on some "higher plane" where they don't use arithmetic, and where (he defies you to prove the contrary) two plus two may make eleven, for all we know.

The most striking argument he makes is this. "The physical embodiment of life is its best test. For there is nothing so prone to death or decomposition as our body, and yet life can maintain it healthy and fresh for 100 years—a powerful antiseptic in the midst of a furious conflagration of decomposition!" That thought persuades him that life is something separate from the body, and therefore capable of persisting after decomposition. If it is an independent something called life which preserves the body for 100 years, why does it not carry on? Why does it tire? If in the 100th round death gives life the knock-out, why surmise that it is not permanently knocked out? Why continue to call it the champion? The antiseptic argument is good for a century, but not for eternity.

If we have not offended Mr. ON EVERY-DAY Leveson by our method of declining his weekly contribution, with thanks, and our pleasanties are not meant to be offensive—we would invite him to look about him, to bring his mind back from the sublimity "plane" on which it is wandering, and see if he cannot use it to help us make every-day life pleasanter and more profitable. Not that philosophy is barred as a subject, but that it is better to have it handled at shorter length, in simpler, straighter thoughts, by those who know something about it. Mr. Leveson has convinced us that he doesn't know what the ego is. We would like to challenge him to tell us. "What is a policeman?" This is not one of those silly "catch" conundrums. It is a serious problem for students of sociology. After a reasonable interval, we will ourselves submit an answer, and prove that it is not a frivolous question, but one that proves or disproves a man's thinking capacity. The most ignorant cooie can tell the Government what he wants; but only the thinker is entitled to tell the Government what is expedient and right. And even he will tell it wrong.

Once in a while GLOBETROTTERS. to ask us why we don't do more to persuade, why we don't do more to induce the Government to persuade, the globetrotters to stay longer in Hongkong and so leave more of their money here. They have it all taped out in their minds. Develop Hongkong as a tourist resort. Provide attractions, good accommodation and facilities, and advertise. Look what clever "boosters" Americans are. Even now a New York hotel syndicate, co-operating with San Francisco and Honolulu, has given the great Chester Doyle \$20,000 to come to the Far East, and travel about for a year, boosting for that route and those places. That is so. Give us \$20,000 and send us over to the States and we'll make such a noise there about the beauty and charm of Hongkong that the Hotel Company will have to put up tents on the roof and hire the jail as an annex for millionaires. We are not against the proposition of making Hongkong more attractive than it is (and that's some) nor of advertising its attractions. But this is the way we look at it.

FIRST A Hongkong is primarily a trade emporium. By EMPORIUM and for trade it lives, its regular residents are in trade or hangers-on. Globetrotters would shove up prices, and the regular resident would be penalized without receiving any corresponding benefit. The Hotels, the restaurants, and such retail tradesmen as cater for globe trotting buyers are the only ones who would gain by an influx and prolonged stay of these people. The others, all the others, so far as we can see, would lose by them. The

shipping people must be neutral, since their only interest is in bringing the globetrotter here and taking him away. It cannot matter to them how long he stays. We ought to be in favour of the proposition because it is certain they would all buy China Mails, if only to send Home and prove to their friends in the States that, contrary to common American belief, there is such a thing as a live British paper. But that's the way we see it, and we cannot help it. They do raise prices for local residents. And they do patronize us so. "Yes, I certainly think the buildings in Hongkong are fine. They are very fine, finer than any I've seen in the Orient. But you should just see the main street in my home town of Bloomsbury, Wis." For that sort of thing the present writer had to shoot one of them at Nikko years ago. We hid the body behind the third pillar of that big temple just past the second clump of bamboo. So far as we know it was never found, and it doesn't matter now because we can prove an alibi. But they are sometimes awfully provoking. We've got more of them here right now than we know what to do with.

Whatever rogues like DEFENCE Winston Churchill may CORPS. do, the local Government may not quibble about the date when the period mentioned in the Conscription Ordinance has arrived. "Six months from the conclusion of the present war" ought surely to be six months from the day when we officially celebrated Peace, for peace being the antithesis of war, the celebration of the cessation of war, it might have been argued that the war ended when the fighting stopped, but we don't join in that. Fair's fair, and if the Government stands to its own acts, the official Peace celebration included, we'll be satisfied. That Ordinance comes automatically to an end on January 19th, 1920. But there is no good reason why our Defence Corps should not be more or less tacitly released before that. They've done more than "their bit," and any attempt to squeeze more out of them will be mean. Moreover, a considerable proportion of them will surely join the new volunteer organization that is projected, while in their present mood. But if the Government by its attitude changes that mood, and gets them "fed up," they will not, and the new organization will suffer. There is that for the Government to consider.

When the Govern- 9D. FOR 4D. ment "takes over AND SOMETHING land it usually FOR NOTHING. pays through the nose for it. It has recently been established by law at Home that, Dora or No Dora, the Government cannot take property for nothing. Is there any property more valuable to a man than his time and his liberty? We personally would see little objection to conscription if compensation accompanied it, because after all it is a measure designed, rightly or wrongly, for the good of society at large. But as it hits only sections of society, there ought to be compensation out of our social resources in order to approximate equality of sacrifice. This idea was behind the Labour talk about conscription of wealth, and is quite sound, though their methods of conscripting wealth might not be. What we maintain is that all soldiers surrendering their liberty and or risking their lives for the good of society should be well paid for it. Here in Hongkong there is actually some doubt as to whether the Defence Corps, to say nothing of the Police Reserves, should be given a measly medal. It is outrageous. A dozen medals per man, with the O. B. E. thrown in as make weight, wouldn't amount to compensation.

RETRACTIONMENT If Mr. Lloyd OR GEORGE honestly intends retrenchment, which is sorely necessary, there are very obvious directions in which he can make a good start, without long deliberations. He can, for instance, stop the expenditure on the Russian side show, which is costing millions a month. He can let our well paid ministers and generals pay for their own transportation instead of, as now, maintaining an army of chauffeurs for an army of red-tape manipulators. He can (instead of proposing an increase of ministerial salaries) make an all round reduction for the make of example. They wouldn't starve on a thousand a year, and such a reduction would show good faith. He can—but what's the use? They don't mean what they say, those fellows. They are "on the make" quite as much, if not more, than some of the "profters" they have legislated against. If we were privileged like Sir Edward Carson, we would be tempted to say that the first step to retrenchment is entrenchment—meaning sansculottes and barricades. But in that sort of talk Carson has an officially granted monopoly.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 4/5 7/16d.

To-day's return. A communicable disease shows one case of enteric and two of gastro-enteritis.

A mail from the U.S. Canada, Shanghai and North China arrived this morning by the s.s. "Empress of Japan."

Commodore, Mrs. & Miss Gurner have come down from the Peak and taken up their residence on H.M.S. "Tamar."

Mr. R. O. Hutchison resumed his seat on the Bench this morning at the Police Court as first Police magistrate.

The opening cruise of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club will be held to-morrow afternoon. Guests are invited for 3 o'clock.

The Hing Wah Paste Manufacturing Co.'s new factory opposite the "Bay View" Police Station will be formally opened to-morrow afternoon.

On the occasion of the anniversary of the Emperor of Japan on Friday, the Japanese Consul will be "At Home" at the Hongkong Hotel from 5 to 7 p.m.

A Shanghai and North China Mail is due to-day by the s.s. "Sui-yang," while a mail from Japan is expected by the s.s. "Nikko Maru," which is also due in port to-day.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton representing the plaintiff in the recent Bernardo Matrimonial Case, informed Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Police Court this morning that the parties had agreed to a settlement.

Sergeant Major H. J. Loder, R.A.M.C. was the lucky winner of a handsome Silver Cup presented by Major D.L. Harding, D.S.O., R.A.M.C. for best revolver shooting at the annual course. The Major is to be commended for his thoughtfulness in supplying such an appropriate incentive to his men.

The opening dance of the season in connection with the Royal Naval Quadrille Club took place at the Seamen's Institute on Tuesday last and despite the inclemency of the weather a very large gathering was present. Music was supplied by Mrs. Titmas at the piano and the duties of M.C. were ably carried out by Victualing Chief Petty Officer Langford. The President of the Club, Chief Writer T. H. Smith welcomed all present on behalf of the club and explained the reason of the change of hall from previous years. The dancing floor was in splendid condition owing to the untiring efforts of M.A.A. Beal and the dance was quite a success. It is hoped the succeeding ones will be likewise.

MARINE COURT.

SHIP MASTER CHARGED.

Before Captain Tylour, R.N. this morning at the Marine Court, R. Jacob Nogueira, Master of the s.s. "Hoi Ping" was charged with carrying passengers when no intimation was received at the Harbour Office, and with unlawfully misrepresenting the number of passengers carried on his ship on his application to the Harbour Master for a port clearance.

Defendant pleaded "guilty." Sergeant Parkins stated that at 6.30 p.m. on the 10th, while he was on duty in a launch, he stopped and boarded the ship off Castle Peak Bay. He found forty passengers on board, who were not mentioned in the clearance papers. Defendant told witnesses that he did not know that there were passengers on board. It was the duty of the ship's comrade to know.

A clerk of the Clearance Office said that defendant went to the office twice in respect of the clearance of the ship, and did not mention to him any passengers.

His Honour said it was quite possible that the summons should have been served on the owner of the ship.

The case was remanded until to-morrow.

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INCREASE OF CAPITAL.

At a meeting of the Directors of the Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd., held during the week, it was decided to shortly apply for power to increase the capital of the Company to \$3,000,000, to capitalize the reserve fund of \$600,000 by issuing one bonus share for every old share, and to issue a further 120,000 shares at \$10 per share to Shareholders, leaving 60,000 shares to be issued at some future date, should the necessity arise. The new capital will be required for the extension of the Company's plant. The necessary extraordinary meetings for the purpose will be called in due course. It is not anticipated that the above issue will take place until the commencement of the Company's next financial year, viz., 1st March, 1920.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

WOUNDING A EUROPEAN SERGEANT.

The hearing of the case in which a Chinese named Tang Sang is indicted for wounding Sgt. Lannon of the Police with intent to murder, with maliciously shooting with intent to prevent his lawful arrest; and with maliciously wounding Sgt. Lannon with intent to disable was after several witnesses had been heard, adjourned by the Chief Justice until this morning.

The hearing was continued this morning when Yue Fat, the keeper of an opium den in Tatui Street, Samshui, was called by the accused as witness for the defence.

Replying to his Lordship this witness said he knew the accused. He first made his acquaintance ten or twenty days before his arrest. He used to come to witness' divan to smoke opium.

By the accused: It was true that on August 24 he slept all night in witness' divan.

By his Lordship: The accused did not leave the divan on the night in question. That was the only occasion the accused slept in his divan.

By Mr. Pollock: Witness fell asleep soon after 6 p.m., and did not awake until 10 o'clock. He did not know what the accused did while he was asleep. It is only 10 minutes' walk from his divan to the junction of Bedford and Tai Po Roads. When witness awoke at 10 p.m., the accused was still in the divan. He did not leave the place until 6 a.m. on August 25 when he said he was going to catch a train and return to the country. Witness remembered that it was raining on the night of August 24.

By his Lordship: He saw the accused come into the divan soon after 6 p.m. on August 24. Witness was then talking with some of the other customers. The accused sat down for a while and then went and laid down on a bench and smoked opium. Witness also smoked opium. He saw the accused fall asleep and soon afterwards he too dozed off. When he awoke at 10 p.m., the accused was still asleep in the same position as when he saw him at 6 p.m. Witness had two benches in the divan. The accused may have left the divan while he was asleep. There were two or three men—all coolies—in the divan besides witness and the accused wore a suit of pongee silk when he visited the divan. Witness said he had no *fohis* in the divan. The coolies who must have seen the accused have already left the district.

After Sgt. Henderson had deposed to taking down the last witness' statement at the Samshui Police Station, the last witness was recalled and in reply to Mr. Pollock said the other men in the divan were earth coolies. Insp. Gerrard had asked him to find those coolies but he told him he did not know where they were.

Asked if he had anything to say the accused said:—According to the evidence given in court, the Sergeant's assailant wore a dark suit and had long hair. Had I been the guilty person, could I not have changed my clothing and got my hair cut? I had ample time to do so. The fact that I did nothing of the sort proved my innocence. It is a case of mistaken identity. I slept in the divan all night on Aug. 24 and on the following morning crossed to Tai Po in a launch to catch the train and return to the country. The police launch came alongside and a Sergeant came aboard the launch I was in and asked me my name. I told him and he asked me to follow him to his launch. I did so and was taken to Samshui Police Station where I was detained. I was later taken with other men to the Hospital where that man there (Sgt. Lannon) pointed at me and said something. Up to this time I did not know what I was detained for. It was after returning from the hospital that I was charged with shooting the Sergeant. I deny that I am the man.

His Lordship then summed up in the course of which he told the jury that this was a very important case and one to which he hoped they would give their entire attention. He reminded them that the onus of proof rests with the Crown. In every British Court of Justice, he told them, a prisoner is considered innocent until he has been proved otherwise by the prosecution who have to produce evidence to prove to the satisfaction of the jury that he is guilty. Personally, he did not think that Sgt. Lannon will want to get the accused sent to jail if he were innocent. He must be pretty certain of his man. However, it was up to them (the jury) to balance the evidence and decide for themselves who they would rather believe, the Sergeant or the divan keeper. His Lordship then dealt at length on the evidence of both the prosecution and the defence, after which the jury retired for 20 minutes and returned with a 4 to 4 verdict. His Lordship said that it was necessary for them to be either unanimous in their verdict or to bring in a 5 to 2 verdict. After retiring for another five minutes the jury brought in a 5 to 2 verdict of "guilty."

Addressing the prisoner his Lordship said: After careful consideration the jury has found you guilty. It is their verdict, not mine. My duty is to give effect to that verdict.

A GOOD HAUL OF OPIUM.

INGENUOUS DEVICE IN SMUGGLING.

Two men were charged, at the Magistracy, yesterday, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with being in unlawful possession of 459½ taels of opium valued at \$6,000.

Mr. A. E. Hall appeared for the defence.

Inspector Grant stated that on Saturday the Police received information that the Swi Yick would be arriving in harbour with fifteen bales of salt-fish. The informer believed that three of the bales would contain a quantity of opium. Witness sent Sergeant Stimson and a party of detectives to the vessel, and when they got there they found first defendant sitting in a boat by the side of the vessel with a delivery order-book in his hand. The bales of fish which the Police were looking for were being loaded into the junk. When this was completed the first defendant signed the bill of lading in the presence of the Police. Sergeant Stimson examined one of the bales and found it contained a quantity of opium. The junk was then taken ashore, and the first defendant informed the Police that the account of a Chinese shop where he was working had sent him to take delivery of the fish. He conducted the Police to a house in Connaught Road West and pointed out the second defendant, who was also arrested and taken to the Central Police Station. The second defendant was evidently the man in charge of the firm, for he had the keys with which the Police opened the safe in the room. A telegram from Saigon was found in the safe to the effect that the fish was being sent.

Mr. Hall failed to see how the second defendant was concerned in the case. He was charged with being in possession of the opium, but, according to Inspector Grant's statement, the only reason why he was arrested was because he possessed keys which suited the safe in which a telegram was found relative to his despatch of the fish. He asked his Worship to discharge the defendant. His Worship discharged the second defendant and remanded the first defendant, until to-morrow.

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The session is adjourned until 10.30 on Monday morning.

THE CHING E ISLAND ROBBERY.

Five Chinese were indicted for robbery with violence on Ching E Island on August 29.

The Acting Attorney-General prosecuted. The same jury was empanelled as in the previous case.

The facts of the case, as outlined by the prosecution, were that six men hired a sampan and went to Ching E Island, telling the sampan people that they were going to do certain work on a grave. When they reached the island, four men went ashore and the two others remained in the boat, pointing revolvers at the sampan man and his wife to prevent them from running away. The men who had gone ashore robbed the occupants of a house of a silver bangle and a quantity of clothing, worth about \$30. One of them was seized by the occupants and tied up till the Police arrived. The others got away, but four were arrested later on information given by the man who was first arrested.

During the proceedings, the Attorney-General added a charge of receiving stolen property against the second prisoner at the suggestion of his Lordship.

The jury brought in a verdict of "guilty of robbery with violence" against four of the prisoners. The second prisoner was found not guilty of robbery, but guilty of having received property which he knew to be stolen.

His Lordship said the Court was determined to do its best to stop the robberies now rife in the Colony. He sentenced four of the prisoners to four years' labour each, and ten strokes with the "cat." The other prisoner received 12 months' hard labour.

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A SOCIABLE MOUNT.

The motorcyclist is coming through the transition period more quickly than his car-owning brother, and it would seem that the power cycle-makers have got into their production stride more easily than the car manufacturers. Outwardly the new machines show some advance on 1914 practice, inasmuch as multi-gears are better designed and more adapted for their purpose; but there is still a lack of real protection for the rider, whilst makers are apparently persisting in adhering to that "adornment" of the Victorian age, plated handle-bars and hubs. It is about time they learned that utility and neatness can go hand in hand, and that some really good results can be obtained with enamel. Certainly it is time they ceased to inflict unwanted pain on a long-suffering riding public.

The boom in motor-cycles is as pronounced as it is in motor-cars, and at the Government surplus sales impetuous youth has been running up the prices absurdly high. In due time the fever will subside and we shall begin to feel our way to the new normal level of things. Meanwhile it is interesting to note to what popularity the sidecar has attained. The cause is not far to seek. As a solo mount the motor-cycle is an unsociable sort of thing, and therefore tends to become more and more the machine for sporting or business purposes. For recreation, except in the case of rare spirits, that social element is needed, hence the development of sidecar touring, and it may be added, of pillion riding, which is another form of sociable motor cycling. In this growing custom of pillion riding the element of risk is always greater than with solo riding. In the latter case the rider, braced triangularly against handle bars, saddle, and footrests, is one with his machine, and perfect control of balance is obtained. The introduction of a passenger, inconspicuously perched in the rear, interferes with this balance, the degree of interference being governed by the adaptability of the passenger. It is when emergencies arise, when sudden swerves have to be made to avoid dogs or hens or pigs, that the critical moment arises. Conditions are set up akin to a wide and dangerous "play" in the steering, and what then happens, or what is avoided, depends entirely on the skill of the riders.

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VENEREAL DISEASE WARNINGS.

In a report on venereal disease issued by the Committee on Infectious Diseases set up in January by the Minister of Health, under the chairmanship of Major Waldorf Astor, the members do not recommend that the methods adopted to safeguard the health of the various armies should be applied to the civil population. A feature of the military scheme was the distribution of "psychiatric packets" (the issue of drugs and appliances available for use by the individual before exposure to infection). Certain drugs, the committee says, are effective preventives only when skillfully applied; and a danger of the "pucker" system is that it tends to give rise to a false sense of security and thus encourages the taking of risks. Unskilful use of drugs may be definitely harmful, as they delay diagnosis. Even in an organized body like the Army there have been many failures due to the men's forgetfulness or ignorance. Hence, they add, should be concentrated on wise propaganda and the provision of early and skilled treatment. Brigadier-General Crickley, R.A.F., indicates that he got good results by straight talks, which frightened the young men. "In any talk of this kind," he declares, "there must be no beating about the bush."

"DEAD" HUSBAND BACK.

Mourning by his wife and mother for two years a dead, Thomas Hanford, formerly a Huddell (Notes) carrier has been found through an inquiry by a Worcester firm with whom he sought employment. Hanford joined the Army early in the war, leaving a wife and two children. Two years ago his death in action was reported and the supposed widow received compensation for her loss and later married again. Hanford's mother had received no message from her son since the report of his death.

JUST WHAT HER BABY NEEDED.

Anxious mothers everywhere ask one another what to do when their little ones are ailing; it is for the benefit of such mothers that Mrs. Louis Ramsey, of Litchfield, Illinois, U.S.A., permits the publication of the following letter. She says:—
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HONGKONG, 24th OCTOBER, 1919.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

BANKS.	
Sterling Exchange 4 1/2 T. T.	
Hongkong Bank, L. 630 b. 640 s.	
MARINE INSURANCE.	
Canton Ins. Co. 5 1/2 1/2 1/2	
North China Ins. Co. 7. 200 b.	
Union Ins. Co. 2410 s.	
Yangtze Ins. Co. 1210 s.	
Far Eastern Ins. Co. 7. 45 b.	
FIRE INSURANCE.	
China Fire Ins. Co. 1138 s.	
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co. 345 b.	
SHIPPING.	
Douglas 889 b.	
H.K. Steamboat 834 s.	
Indo-China (Freight) 870 s.	
Do. (Debt) 197 b.	
Shell Transport 1165 s.	
Star Lines 330 b. 33 s.	
RAFFINERS.	
China Sugar 1170 b. 170 s.	
Malayan Sugar 845 s.	
MINE.	
Kailan Mining Adm. 82 b.	
Langkai 117 s.	
Shanghai Loans 117 s.	
Shanghai Exploration 117 s.	
Railways 117 s.	
Tonghai Mines 117 s.	
Ural Coalfields 117 s.	
DOCKS, WAREHOUSES, GODOWNS, &c.	
H. & K. Wharves 117 s.	
H. & W. Docks 117 s.	
Shai Docks 117 s.	
New Engineering 117 s.	
LARGE, HOUSES & BUSINESS.	
Central Estate 117 s.	
Hongkong Hotels 117 s.	
Hongkong Lands 117 s.	
Humphreys 117 s.	
Kowloon Lands 117 s.	
Land Reclamations 117 s.	
West Point 117 s.	
COTTON MILLS.	
Two Cottons 117 s.	
Kang Yih 117 s.	
East King Mills 117 s.	
Oriental 117 s.	
Shanghai Cottons 117 s.	
Yangtze Mills 117 s.	
MISCELLANEOUS.	
Cement 117 s.	
China-Bornos 117 s.	
China Light Old 117 s.	
China-Provident 117 s.	
Dairy Farms 117 s.	
H.K. Electric 117 s.	
Macao Do. 117 s.	
H.K. Tramways 117 s.	
Peak Tramways (Old) 117 s.	
Do. (New) 117 s.	
Steam Laundry 117 s.	
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4 months sight—4 1/2

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Documentary, 4 months sight—4 1/2

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On demand—4 1/2

Credit, 4 months sight—4 1/2

On New York—4 1/2

On demand—4 1/2

Credit, 60 days sight—4 1/2

On Bombay—4 1/2

Wire—4 1/2

On Calcutta—4 1/2

Wire—4 1/2

On Shanghai—4 1/2

On demand—4 1/2

30 days sight (private paper)—nom.

On Yokohama—4 1/2

On demand—4 1/2

Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)—33.

Silver (per tael)—4 1/2

Silver (per oz.)—1 1/2

Chinese coins—1 1/2

Bar Silver in Hongkong—35 1/2 p.m.

Chinese Copper Cash—8 1/2 p.m.

Chinese Copper Cent—7 1/2 p.m.

Rate of Native Interest—1 1/2 p.m.

Chinese Sub. Coin—1 1/2 p.m.

Hongkong Sub. Coin—1 1/2 p.m.

Subsidiary coins.

Hongkong 50 cents sub. 10 p.m.

Chinese coins 10 p.m.

Bar Silver in Hongkong 35 1/2 p.m.

Chinese Copper Cash 8 1/2 p.m.

Chinese Copper Cent 7 1/2 p.m.

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DONG TOY, Chief Manager.

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WEATHER REPORT.

October 24, 11 a.m. 30m. - No return from Vladivostok. Japan. Formosa or Indo-China. Pressure is nearly stationary over the southern Philippines and in the neighbourhood of Hongkong. It has decreased slightly at other reporting stations.

The anticyclone has weakened. Fresh monsoon may be expected over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong: Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 11 a.m. today, 0.00 inches, total since January 1st, 73.84 inches, against an average of 78.90 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on October 25th.

1. - Hongkong to Star Rock. N.E. winds fresh, face to clouds.

2. - Formosa. Channel. N.E. winds, strong.

3. - South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamock. The same as No. 1.

4. - South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

OCTOBER 24, 1919. - a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.	Wind. Weather.
Vladivostok	5 a.						
Nemuro	5 a.						
Fukushima							
Yokohama							
Rochi							
Nagasaki							
Kagoshima							
Oshima							
Naha							
Yokohama							
British Island							
Weihaiwei	6 a.	29.20	51	88	NW	4	b
Hankow							
Ichang							
Shanghai							
Changchun							
Shanghai		30.15	41	94	N	1	b
Shanghai		30.22	53	84	NNW	1	b
Shanghai		30.22	53	84	NNW	1	b
Shanghai		30.11	60	72	W	2	b
Amoy	6 a.	29.12	61	61	SW	4	b
Swatow							
Taipei	5 a.						
Taipei							
Taipei							
Kaohsiung							
Pescadore							
Canton	6 a.	30.13	54	94	N	1	b
Hongkong		30.10	69	78	NE	1	b
Cap Rock		29.07			NE	5	c
Macao							
Wachow	9 a.						
Pakhoi							
Hoihow							
Phuhen	7 a.						
Tourane							
C. St. James							
Agarri	6 a.	29.63	73	94	NE	6	r
Dapunta							
Manila		29.86	72	96	N	1	b
Legaspi		29.82	77	96	N	0	b
San Juan		29.83	73	96	N	0	b
Iloilo							
Surgano		29.82	73	96	SW	1	w
Guam		29.81			NE	4	w
Labuan	5 a.	29.81	89	92	SW	1	w